UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

HAROLD VEAZEY,	
Plaintiff, v.)) Case No.:) COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR) JURY TRIAL
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,) (Unlawful Debt Collection Practices)
Defendant.	

COMPLAINT

HAROLD VEAZEY ("Plaintiff"), by and through his attorneys, KURZ LAW GROUP, LLC, alleges the following against WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. ("Defendant"):

INTRODUCTION

1. Plaintiff's Complaint is based on the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, 47 U.S.C. § 227, et seq. ("TCPA").

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2. Jurisdiction of this Court arises under 28 U.S.C. § 1331, which grants this court original jurisdiction of all civil actions arising under the laws of the United States. See Mims v. Arrow Fin. Services, LLC, 132 S. Ct. 740, 747, 181 L. Ed. 2d 881 (2012).

3. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2).

PARTIES

- 4. Plaintiff is a natural person residing in East Point, Georgia 30344.
- 5. Plaintiff is a "person" as that term is defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39).
- 6. Defendant is a corporation with its headquarters located at 420 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, California 94104.
- 7. Defendant is a "person" as that term is defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39).
- 8. Defendant acted through its agents, employees, officers, members, directors, heirs, successors, assigns, principals, trustees, sureties, subrogees, representatives, and insurers.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 9. Plaintiff has a cellular telephone number.
- 10. Plaintiff has only used this phone as a cellular telephone.
- 11. Defendant called Plaintiff on his cellular telephone on a repetitive and continuous basis.
- 12. When contacting Plaintiff on his cellular telephone, Defendant used an automatic telephone dialing system and automated and/or pre-recorded messages.

- 13. Plaintiff knew that Defendant used an automatic telephone dialing system and automated and/or pre-recorded messages as there was often a noticeable pause or delay before connecting to one of Defendant's representatives.
- 14. Defendant's telephone calls were not made for "emergency purposes."
- 15. Desiring to stop these repeated, unwanted calls, Plaintiff spoke to Defendant soon after the calls began and revoked any previous consent that Defendant had to contact him.
- 16. Once Defendant was told the calls were unwanted and to stop, there was no lawful purpose to making further calls, nor was there any good faith reason to place calls.
- 17. Despite Plaintiff's request for Defendant to stop calling him, Defendant continued to call him.
- 18. These additional calls were upsetting, agitating and unnerving to Plaintiff.
- 19. Upon information and belief, Defendant conducts business in a manner which violates the Telephone Consumer Protection Act.

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COUNT I **DEFENDANT VIOLATED THE TCPA**

- Plaintiff incorporates the forgoing paragraphs as though the same 20. were set forth at length herein.
- 21. Defendant initiated multiple automated telephone calls to Plaintiff's cellular telephone using a prerecorded voice.
- 22. Defendant initiated these automated calls to Plaintiff using an automatic telephone dialing system.
- Defendant's calls to Plaintiff were not made for "emergency 23. purposes."
- Defendant's calls to Plaintiff were made after Plaintiff had explicitly 24. revoked any consent that was previously given.
- Defendant's acts as described above were done with malicious, 25. intentional, willful, reckless, wanton and negligent disregard for Plaintiff's rights under the law and with the purpose of harassing Plaintiff.
- The acts and/or omissions of Defendant were done unfairly, 26. unlawfully, intentionally, deceptively and fraudulently and absent bona fide error, lawful right, legal defense, legal justification or legal excuse.
- 27. As a result of the above violations of the TCPA, Plaintiff has suffered the losses and damages as set forth above entitling Plaintiff to an award of statutory, actual and treble damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, HAROLD VEAZEY, respectfully prays for a judgment as follows:

- a. All actual damages suffered pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §227(b)(3)(A);
- b. Statutory damages of \$500.00 per violative telephone call pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §227(b)(3)(B);
- c. Treble damages of \$1,500 per violative telephone call pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §227(b)(3);
- d. Injunctive relief pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §227(b)(3); and
- e. Any other relief deemed appropriate by this Honorable Court.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff, HAROLD VEAZEY, demands a jury trial in this case.

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 5.1

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing document has been prepared in accordance with the font type and margin requirements of Local Rule 5.1 of the Northern District of Georgia, using a font type of Time New Roman and a point size of 14.

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